

Full-stack fintech platform for aquaculture

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Aquaculture in India is a massive market, which is growing faster than GDP

~5 million

Aquaculture farmers

2nd largest

Aquaculture producer globally

3.5 Mn hectares

Brackish water reserves and inland ponds

~15%

Share of global aquaculture production

Largest

Shrimp exporter globally

70%

Share of aquaculture products in total seafood exports from India Aquaculture in India is growing faster than the GDP

Aquaculture production in India million tonnes



Major species of production: Carps (Rohu, Catla), Pangasius (Bassa) and Shrimp



However, India's aquaculture market has several challenges, underpinned by poor access to formal credit across the value chain



Aquaculture farmers



Input retailers



Seafood buyers

Challenges

- Lack of access to the scientific advisory
- Need for immediate liquidity post harvesting limits the bargaining power of farmers, leading to suboptimal prices
- Lack of access to low cost, formal working capital, inhibiting growth of their business
- Hassle to coordinate with multiple input distributors and arrange logistics
- lack of working capital and
 operational challenges at the farmgate
- Lack of transparency in product quality and pricing



Aquaconnect's ecosystem supercharges the entire aquaculture value chain



Our interventions are enabled by technology, providing a smooth experience for major value chain stakeholders



- Post Harvest pricing
- Weather updates
- Multimedia content & Advisory





Aqua Officer

• Visit prioritization tool

• Farm metadata tool

• Farm visit log

- Aqua Partners
- Input purchase
 - management module
- Harvest sale module
- Financial Services

CRM & Stakeholder support

- Stakeholder query resolution
- Technical support
- Sales support

Supply Chain management

- Inventory management
- Procure to pay process
- Logistics















We have access to proprietary farm-level data that will help us underwrite credit across the value chain

We have built the base for a robust data science and underwriting engine

Data collected by GIS remote sensing

- Individual pond-level boundary demarcation
- Active / inactive status of ponds
- Stages across the crop cycle (date of culture, harvest etc.)
- Historical (10-year) cropping pattern for a particular farm / pond

Data collected by ground team

- Farmer KYC with demarcated ponds
- Land records for the demarcated ponds
- Crop status data (growth, health, count) for an ongoing culture
- Harvesting data

Data collected by CRM system

- Farmer engagement details with field officers, call center, app
- Farmer's purchase history of farm inputs

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We are also creating substantial impact across multiple SDGs



USD 15 million

Economic value (cost savings or revenue increase) created for smallholder farmers



USD 0.9 million Farm produce sold to organized buyers



1.2 Mn kg Reduction in feed usage



28,000 hectares Area under sustainable agriculture

Note: Figures reported are as of March 2021

We have achieved a 9X growth in Revenue over the last 6 months



We aim to grow exponentially over the next 2 years

By March 2024, we will achieve an annualized GMV of USD 200 million

24,000 MT

Yearly seafood tonnage

moved

USD 200 million

Annualized GMV (March '24)

USD 15 million

(6-8% take rate)

Annualized net income (March '24)

~150

~1,000

Seafood buyers (domestic and global) onboarded

AquaPartners onboarded

Potential Collaborative Opportunities

Sustainable sourcing partnership for Japanese seafood importers

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Equity & Debt investment opportunities in the fastest growing aquaculture value chain



We are raising Series A round

Our investors

\$15 million



- Digital and Fintech product development
- AquaBazaar expansion
- AquaPartner network expansion
- Others (marketing, FLDG provision etc.)











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We earn 2-20% trade margin on input / output GMV; AquaCred helps increase transaction volumes massively, and improves blended take rate by ~2%

	AquaPartner (input retailer)	Seafood buyer	
AquaCred Instrument	BNPL for retailers to purchase and maintain stock of aqua inputs	BNPL for buyers to purchase outputs; Farmers are paid immediately post harvest	
Average transaction size	~USD 3,000 - USD 4,000 ; higher based on nature of goods ; transaction financed as per AquaPartner's credit limit	~USD 8,000 per harvest (2.5 MT) ; varies based on species and specifications ; transaction financed as per buyer's credit limit	
Transaction frequency	20-35 days	15-20 days	
Trade margin	5-10% for bulk inputs (feed, equipment); 20% for non-bulk inputs (healthcare, test kits)	1-2% for domestic buyers, 6% for exports trade	
Financing margin	~1% for 20 days; ~18% APR	~1.5% for 20 days; 25% APR	
Blended margin	12% Further improvement levers (1) High margin exclusive brands ; (2) Optimizing product mix;	 3-8% Further improvement levers (1) Higher margin from export (2) Premium for predictable / efficient supply chain 	

Our team brings deep expertise across aquaculture, strategy, business and operations



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